



Assistive Technology
Partnership

Welcome back to the 2015-2016 school year!

With the start of another school year, Assistive Technology Partnership/Education (ATP/Education) would like to take this opportunity to remind you about the services that are offered by our program. ATP/Education provides statewide education assistive technology services to children (birth to twenty-one) and their families, caregivers, teachers, service providers, etc. **Please remember there is not a charge for the services provided by ATP/Education.**

Some of the services offered by ATP/Education include:

- **Training** (which may range from small to large groups on specific devices/technologies)
- **Consultations** (child specific requests/identified needs)
- **Information/Awareness** (phone support or on-site visitation)
- **Equipment Loan Pool** (short term device loans)
- **Funding** (assistance working through the funding process and information on available sources of funding. *ATP/Education is not a funding source*)

Because of the size of **Nebraska**, ATP/Education has divided the state into five regions, with an educational specialist assigned to each area. Please refer to the [map](#) for the name of and contact information for the education specialist in your region. Education specialists are able to answer specific questions you might have or requests for training, technical support, etc.



Education Specialists can provide guidance to the local educational teams on gauging and selecting appropriate assistive technology. They do not make specific recommendations or do evaluations on assistive technology, but work in conjunction with the appropriate school personnel, parents, and student in determining the assistive technology that will be most effective for the student. All decisions related to assistive technology services and devices are made by the the school education team.



ATP/Education has a statewide loan pool which offers you an opportunity to "try it before you buy it". You are able to borrow assistive technology for a short period of time to try and see if it is appropriate. The loan pool equipment is listed on the [AT4ALL website](#). This allows you to view the equipment available and request items via the site. The AT4ALL website includes descriptions and photos of the devices and links to the product vendors. AT4ALL also has loan pools from other participating programs and items for sale or give away.

If you have any questions regarding the ATP/Education program, please contact:

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Wait, there's more....

iCanConnect **Nebraska**

The National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program

The iCanConnect program assists people who experience both hearing and vision loss with their telecommunication needs. [Learn More](#)



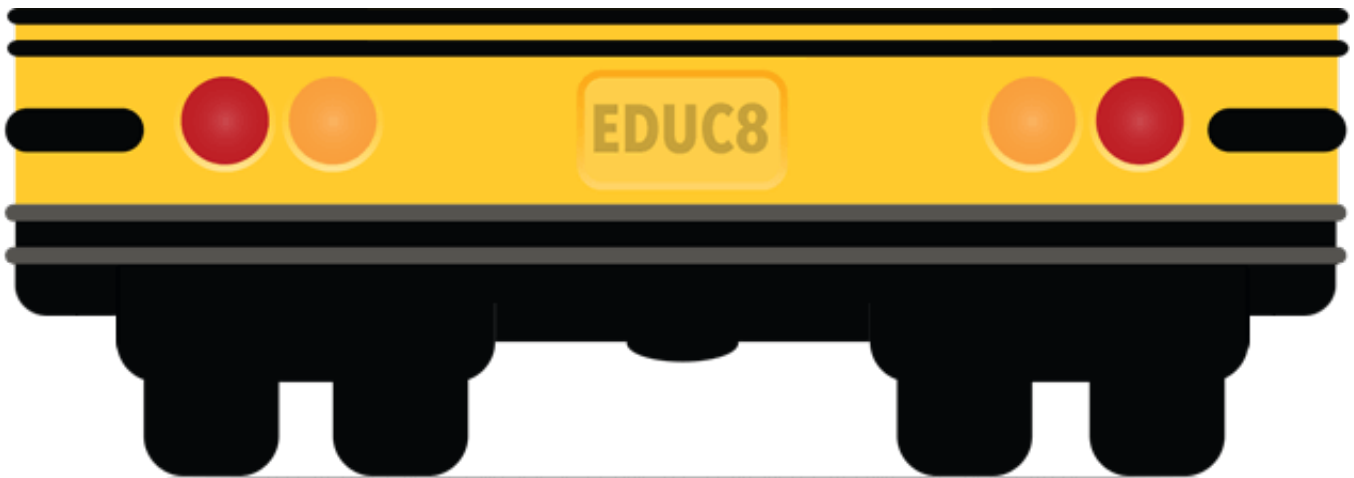
Collaborative effort to increase access to assistive technology by refurbishment, recycling, referrals, and relocating equipment.

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[Nebraska ChildFind](#)

provides information to parents, school personnel, and service providers on child development for children birth to age 21



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